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**TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS**

Box Patent Application  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Transmitted herewith for filing under 35 U.S.C. 111(a) and 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) is a new utility patent application for an invention entitled:

**A THIN-WALL POLYTETRAFLUOROETHYLENE TUBE**

and invented by:

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If a **CONTINUATION APPLICATION**, check appropriate box and supply the requisite information:

Continuation    Divisional    Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application No.: 08/247,960

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Enclosed are:

**Application Elements**

1.  Filing fee as calculated and transmitted as described below
  
2.  Specification having 21 pages and including the following:
  - a.  Descriptive Title of the Invention
  - b.  Cross References to Related Applications (*if applicable*)
  - c.  Statement Regarding Federally-sponsored Research/Development (*if applicable*)
  - d.  Reference to Microfiche Appendix (*if applicable*)
  - e.  Background of the Invention
  - f.  Brief Summary of the Invention
  - g.  Brief Description of the Drawings (*if drawings filed*)
  - h.  Detailed Description
  - i.  Claim(s) as Classified Below
  - j.  Abstract of the Disclosure

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3.  Drawing(s) (*when necessary as prescribed by 35 USC 113*)
  - a.  Formal Number of Sheets 11
  - b.  Informal Number of Sheets \_\_\_\_\_
4.  Oath or Declaration
  - a.  Newly executed (*original or copy*)  Unexecuted
  - b.  Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d)) (*for continuation/divisional application only*)
  - c.  With Power of Attorney  Without Power of Attorney
  - d.  **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**  
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application,  
see 37 C.F.R. 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
5.  Incorporation By Reference (*usable if Box 4b is checked*)  
The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 4b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
6.  Computer Program in Microfiche (*Appendix*)
7.  Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (*if applicable, all must be included*)
  - a.  Paper Copy
  - b.  Computer Readable Copy (*identical to computer copy*)
  - c.  Statement Verifying Identical Paper and Computer Readable Copy

## Accompanying Application Parts

8.  Assignment Papers (*cover sheet & document(s)*)
9.  37 CFR 3.73(B) Statement (*when there is an assignee*)
10.  English Translation Document (*if applicable*)
11.  Information Disclosure Statement/PTO-1449  Copies of IDS Citations
12.  Preliminary Amendment
13.  Acknowledgment postcard
14.  Certificate of Mailing

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15.  Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) (if foreign priority is claimed)

16.  Additional Enclosures (please identify below):  


**Fee Calculation and Transmittal**

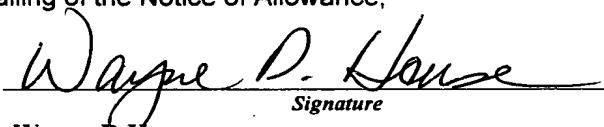
**CLAIMS AS FILED**

For	#Filed	#Allowed	#Extra	Rate	Fee
Total Claims	9	- 20 =	0	x \$18.00	\$0.00
Indep. Claims	1	- 3 =	0	x \$78.00	\$0.00
Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable)	<input type="checkbox"/>				\$0.00
				<b>BASIC FEE</b>	<b>\$690.00</b>
OTHER FEE (specify purpose)					\$0.00
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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge and credit Deposit Account No. **07-1729** as described below. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

- Charge the amount of **\$690.00** as filing fee.
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- Charge any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17.
- Charge the issue fee set in 37 C.F.R. 1.18 at the mailing of the Notice of Allowance, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.311(b).



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In re Application of: \_\_\_\_\_ )  
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## BOX PATENT APPLICATION

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LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

Dear Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the U. S. Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified Patent Application:

1. Specification and Abstract (21 pages)
2. Formal Drawings (11 sheets)
3. Copy of Declaration and Power of Attorney from Prior Application(3 pages)
4. Request for Deletion of Inventors (1 page)
5. Utility Patent Application Transmittal (3 pages in duplicate)

**The Commissioner is hereby authorized and is requested to charge all filing fees due under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and all other fees due under § 1.17 during the pendency of this application to our Deposit Account No. 07-1729.**

Please accord this application a serial number and filing date.

Respectfully submitted,

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